

# HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF UTICA

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## CELEBRATING OUR 125TH YEAR

**Holy Trinity Parish (est. 1896)**

**St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr Parish (est. 1911)**

**Rev. Canon John E. Mikalajunas, Pastor**

**Rev. Joseph E. Moskal, Assisting Senior Priest**

**Deacon George Spohr**

**December 19, 2021**



*The Nativity of the Lord*

**SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA\* December 19, 2021**  
Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year C

**Vigil Mass SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA \* December 18**  
Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year C

5:00 pm + Walter Babowicz (Btdy.) -- Rob, Barbara & Paul  
5:00 pm + Stan & Lucille Kuznia -- Daughter Karen

**SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA \* December 19**  
Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year C

8:00 am + Helen Shaw -- Janice & Samuel Russo, Jr.  
10:00 am + Marion & Matthew Niznik -- Peter & Debbie  
Wyborski  
10:00 am + Fran Henry -- Mark Chirico  
11:30 am (P) + Paul James Verczme -- Family

**MONDAY/PONIEDZILEK \* December 20**  
Late Advent Weekday

8:00 am + Sister M. Patricia Markey, O. Carm. -- Janice  
and Samuel Russo, Jr.  
8:00 am Mass of Reparation for the Sins of the World and  
an End of Abortion -- Morning Rosary Group

**TUESDAY/WTOREK \* December 21**  
St. Peter Canisius

8:00 am + Ludmila Rejman -- Elizabeth & Krzysztof  
Wojtczak  
8:00 am + Aniela Matyszczuk -- E. & J. Mroczek

**WEDNESDAY/SRODA \* December 22**  
Late Advent Weekday

8:00 am + John J. Mikalajunas (Anniv.) -- Son Fr. John  
8:00 am + Mothers & Grandmothers -- Mother's Day Offer.

**THURSDAY/CZWARTEK \* December 23**  
St. John of Kanty

8:00 am + Gol & Wilkins Families -- Edward J. Gol Estate  
8:00 am + John & Jane Labaj -- Estate

**FRIDAY/PIATEK \* December 24**  
Late Advent Weekday, SS Adam & Eve

8:00 am + Maria Wasinski -- Krystyna & Michael Majecki  
and Family  
8:00 am + Fathers & Grandfathers -- Father's Day Offerings  
4:00 pm + Nadine Zielinski -- Son Justin Zielinski  
4:00 pm + Living & Deceased Parishioners of Holy Trinity

**SATURDAY/SOBOTA \* December 25**  
The Nativity of the Lord

12:00 am + Catherine Kryszczuk -- Son Michael & Family  
8:00 am + Florian Karas & Family -- Estate of Sophie Karas  
10:00 am + Andrzej Siembida -- Siembida Family  
11:30 am (L) + Deceased Priests & Nuns of Holy Trinity/  
St. Stanislaus

**SUNDAY/NIEDZIELA \* December 26**

**The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph - Year C**

8:00 am + Jim Cambridge -- Wife Wanda  
10:00 am + Catherine Kryszczuk -- Tim, Liz & Andy Pfister  
11:30 am (P) + Leonard Zemanek -- Son with Family  
11:30 am (P) + Maria i Wladyslaw Wozny -- Son Zbigniew  
Wozny z. Rodz.

**2022 MASS BOOK IS IN. Schedule your Sunday Requests 2  
Months in Advance & Weekday Requests 1 month in advance.**

**From the  
Pastor's Desk**



CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM! Merry Christmas, Radosnych Swiat Bozego narodzenia to all. Thank you from Fr. Canon John E. Mikalajunas, Fr Joe Moskal and Sr. Julia for your Prayers, Cards and Gifts.

A Sincere thank you to the Music Director, Choir, Lancers and Youth and Altar Servers who will participate at Mass.

God Bless all of our Pierogi Workers who worked so hard this past week. You have made many Christmas Dinners complete.

The Readings for Christmas masses will all be from the Mass in the Evening.

Thank You, Bog Zaplac to all who helped us decorate the Church for Christmas this past Saturday. God Bless and Keep you.

Our Sincere Thank you to the Wolanin Funeral Home for Donating the English and Polish Calendars for 2022. God Bless and Serdecznie Bog Zaplac. God Bless Charles Adrian & Steve Wolanin.

\$1,643.74 NEEDED TO MAKE THE 2021 HOPE APPEAL We have 13 Days to reach the Goal. Your Good Hearts are so appreciated. Your love is appreciated and needed. God Bless You all.

The Sympathy of Holy Trinity is extended to the Family of Carmen Filletti who was honored with a Mass of Christian Burial. Eternal rest grant unto your servant Carmen O Lord.

The Sympathy of Holy Trinity is extended to the Family of Elizabeth Beaton who was honored with a Mass of Christian Burial from Holy Trinity last week. Eternal Rest grant unto your Handmaid Elizabeth O Lord.

Oplatki/Christmas Wafers are available in the Priest Sacristy this weekend following all masses. The offering is \$3.00 per envelope of 4 wafers. Do uphold Tradition.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE SAKRAMENT POKUTY  
THE LIGHTS ARE ON MON., DEC. 20th, 4-7pm, Wed., Dec. 22nd at 5:00pm. Plan your Schedules now.

Tues., 6PM, Marian Room. Blue Collar Apolgetics. Learn to defend the Faith. Come and enrich your love of God. No charge.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE/ROSKLAD MSZY NA BOZE NARODZENIE. Vigil Mass of Christmas at 4:00pm, 12:00am Midnight Mass, Morning Masses at 8 and 10:00am in English and 11:30am Latin Tridentine. Christmas Day is the 125th Anniversary of the First Mass for Holy Trinity Parish. Christmas is celebrated on Saturday this Year therefore THERE WILL BE NO 5:00PM MASS on Christmas day for Sunday. Dec. 26th Feast of the Holy Family, 3 Masses on Sunday. There is a separate obligation for Christmas and Sunday.

July 18-31, 2022 Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes Medugorje and the Oberammergau Passion Play will take place. Brochures at the entrance to Church. Come to Jesus & Mary by joining the Group.

Sincerely yours in Jesus the God of Mercy,  
Father Canon John E. Mikalajunas

**FINANCIAL BLESSINGS December 12, 2021**

We encourage all parishioners to use their weekly envelopes either by mailing your offerings, on-line giving or in Church. God Love You. Help us to meet our expenses as we strive to serve and save in these difficult times. Let us pray for each other.

December 12, 2021

Total Offering: \$4,905.83 (142 envelopes)

**OTHER CHURCH GIFT**

Pew Rent	12	\$84.00	Repair & Impv.	5	\$43.00
Fuel	13	143.00	Votives/Candles		92.48
Cathedraticum	29	559.00	Christmas Flowers		25.00
Immac. Con.	80	1,224.00	Sol. of Mary	2	8.00
Christmas	6	150.00	Oplatki		116.00

The sanctuary candle burns in Church for Joseph Aiken given by wife and sons



The sanctuary candle burns in Church for Walter and Helena Babowicz given by Barbara, Rob and Paul

**HOLY TRINITY MEMORIAL FUND**

In memory of **Robert Stevener** given by Carolyn Montague, John & Patti Stevener, Lorna Perry, Russell & Patricia Hughes, Paul & Joan Starczewski, Candace Swierczek, Maura Chudy, Doris Beyer, Helen Chomin, Kathleen Stevener, Ronald & Ruth Weaver, Sharon Zangrilli, Anonymous



THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Advent Angel Giving Tree! We have received an overwhelming response of gifts to help those in need at Hope House. Your generosity is sincerely appreciated!

We are continuing to collect knit hats, gloves, mittens and scarves for the grammar school children at Kernan School. There is a box in the vestibule for your donations. **Thank you** for your generosity to the children at Kernan School.

**Pierogi** sale in church vestibule after today's Mass.

In compliance with Bishop Lucia's and the County's mandate, please **wear a mask while in Church**.

**HOLY TRINITY FUN FACT**

**Did you know** . . . that the first religious functions in the City of Utica by Bishop John Duffy of Syracuse took place at Holy Trinity in 1933.

**Altar Server Assignments**

**Friday, December 24**

4:00 pm: DeStefano Fam.

**Saturday, December 25**

12:00 am: Olejarnik Fam.

8:00 am: Volunteer

10:00 am: P. Zemanek

**Sunday, December 26**

8:00 am: Volunteer

10:00 am: Piersall Fam.

11:30 am: P. Zemanek

**Lector Assignments**

**Friday, December 24**

4:00 pm: Br. Leonard

**Saturday, December 25**

12:00 am: J. Paratore

8:00 am: P. Fairbrother

10:00 am: Sr. Julia

**Sunday, December 26**

8:00 am: E. Starczewski

10:00 am: S. Ossowski

11:30 am: M. Zemanek

Congratulations Cindy Fitzpatrick and Patricia Roback, newest winners of the Holy Trinity Saint Stanislaus 20 Week Club. There is still time to get tickets as inexpensive last minute Christmas gifts that keep on giving all winter long and include a bonus dinner in March. Tickets are in the vestibule or call Clara at 315-724-3081.

Live-streaming of Holy Trinity 10AM Masses continue for shut ins and out of town parishioners. You are urged to attend Mass in person as a family to receive Jesus in person. Holy Trinity is large enough to accommodate you safely while observing current covid guidelines. We plan on live-streaming Christmas Eve 4pm Vigil Mass.

As end of year and tax time approaches, please consider working with your financial advisor on several tax strategies that may benefit you and your Church. For example, consider charitable IRA rollovers, gifts of appreciated securities, and estate gifts that could lower your capital gains while benefiting your parish.

Holy Trinity Saturday Bingo continues this week (December 18) and New Years Day (Saturday January 1). Please support your parish by attending. Bingo is in our school gym starting at 6:15 after Saturday 5pm Mass. Doors open at 4pm. Walk in players and helpers are welcome.

NYS Discernment Retreat -- Every year the Diocese of Syracuse gets to host this discernment retreat for all young adult men who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood across Upstate NY! It is hosted right here in Syracuse at Christ the King Retreat House from Sunday, January 2nd through Tuesday, January 4th. This retreat has been very powerful for those who have attended. For those interested, please RSVP by Tuesday, December 28th to [vocations@syrdio.org](mailto:vocations@syrdio.org).

From the Seminarians of the Diocese of Syracuse -- Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 19, 2021 "Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste". Mary was not afraid, she had faith and trust in God, and she acted on that faith and trust. If you are being called to the priesthood, deaconate, or religious life, through the intercessions of our Blessed Mother, may you have the strength and courage to trust and act on God's call. Call Father Jason Hage 315-470-1468, or [vocations@syrdio.org](mailto:vocations@syrdio.org).



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